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45) [87129] Re: OT-Pic Programming
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by "Brian L. Lewis" <bl@csi.com>
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by "K7FD/N7SG" <cqdx@teleport.com>
53) [87137] Re: Now that's a real challenge!
by "K7FD/N7SG" <cqdx@teleport.com>
54) [87138] Merry Christmas!
by "Glenn Maclean" <glennmaclean@ix.netcom.com>

Date: Sat, 23 Dec 2000 19:25:13 -0800
From: n4qa@juno.com
To: qrp-l@Lehigh.EDU
Subject: [87085] Re:What's Best band for DSW-XX?
Message-ID: <20001223.192517.-67425.0.n4qa@juno.com>
MIME-Version: 1.0
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Jerry and gang.
I've been tormenting with a similar consideration.
I've been using a DSW-40 for 6 months or so and absolutely love it.
My DSW-30 and DSW-20 will ship any day now. 80 meters is in such great
shape right now that I sorta wish I'd ordered a DSW-80 also.
The DSWs' 'infinite' RIT is great but you can also tune the entire rig
(XMIT & RCV) over an 'infinite' range of frequencies (just don't
transmit while out of band :)
Bottom line, I think... you'd have a blast with any of them.
73-1,
Bill, N4QA

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Date: Sat, 23 Dec 2000 18:32:25 -0600
From: w0av@juno.com
To: qrp-1@lehigh.edu
Subject: [87086] Re. Need VR Tube
Message-ID: <20001223.183232.-454825.0.w0av@juno.com>
MIME-Version: 1.0
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Hello Gentlemen:

I just succeeded in liberating the gaseous contents of a VR90 voltage regulator, as used in a restored QRP WW2 Command TX power supply. It appears that the sudden deceleration when the subject tube encountered the concrete floor was the underlying cause of this tragedy.

Because of the above-described, non-scheduled event, I am now in the market for a VR90, VR105 or VR150 valve.

Will pay US\$ or perhaps trade for a tube you may need.

72/73/74 de George/W0AV
SOC#101

Date: Sat, 23 Dec 2000 20:02:30 -0500
From: "T.J. \"SKIP\" Arey N2EI" <tjarey@home.com>
To: elecrafft@qth.net, "qrp-1@Lehigh.EDU" <qrp-1@Lehigh.EDU>, "njqrp@njqrp.org" <njqrp@njqrp.org>
Subject: [87087] Microphone Question
Message-ID: <3A454B26.56F3AD03@home.com>
MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain; charset=us-ascii
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T.J. "SKIP" AREY N2EI e-mail tjarey@home.com

Website <http://members.home.net/tjarey>

Snail Mail: PO Box 236, Beverly, NJ 08010

Specialization is for insects! LAZARUS LONG

Date: Sat, 23 Dec 2000 20:07:20 -0500
From: "Steve and Anne Ray" <sbralr@worldnet.att.net>
To: <qrp-1@Lehigh.EDU>, <n6wg@earthlink.net>
Subject: [87088] Re: Ladder Line experiment :-(
Message-ID: <002c01c06d46\$b8e493e0\$d0174d0c@home>
MIME-Version: 1.0
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charset="iso-8859-1"
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Bob N6WG recommendation on the 1 to 1 balun is the best thing to try if you have one handy. The 1 to 1 balun may solve your problems. I put up a Zepp that was a 1/2 wavelength for 30 M, the impedance was too low for my homebrew T match tuner with a 4 to 1 balun. The 4 to 1 balun transformed it out of the range of my tuner. I then made up a 1 to 1 balun and it worked like a champ.

Also check out
<http://www.btinternet.com/~g4fgq.regp/index.html#S102> and try out his program dipole1. It is great for experimenting with line lengths and impedances. Lots of other good antenna programs there also. Naturally W4RNL for the antenna and transmission line theory.

72,

Steve Ray K4JPN ex K1VKW HW-101, HW-8, OHR-100A, SWL 30-40 and NC 38S
HeathKit fan and K2 S/N 1422 Now on SSB QRP
Warner Robins GA EM82fp

Date: Sat, 23 Dec 2000 20:12:52 -0500
From: hamjoel@juno.com

To: qrp-1@lehigh.edu
Subject: [87089] W/R ANT... THANK U
Message-ID: <20001223.201418.-465011.0.hamjoel@juno.com>
MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

High Y'all

and my Cajun Mama says a special Merry Christmas to Little Timothy out thair in NM....

she's brave, I sure wouldn't call Tim that...
anyhows I is getting some en vie to mess with that ant again...u kneaux some of them antenna work right off and they may not stay up long because of that... however I do wants to thanks everybody for all the info u shared with me on that subject... I've got letters hear about matching devices, ant lengths and all kinds of stuffs sent in by folk what kneaux meaux than what I evah gonna learn.

Figgureine the last of the real big limbs done tried to get me (least for a while) I is looking at that tree with renewed interest... come the first of the month I figure I can afford somemeaux twinlead and I done found meaux wire undah the sneaux and spliced that together... and my son done promised me a new rod and reel for christmas.... so maybe some kind of loop is in the making... iffin I don't needs meaux rope..

Oh, this is funny, I think.... I gots me a new guinea... snuggles... I get one each time I take a flying ambulance ride to the emergency room... did I mention I got six... now...one deceased...(Pepper)

anyhow... I be sittin heah and waiting for them folk in the ambulance to brought themselves to me... and they walk in as a friend be keeping me company on the radio, beings as I was alone at the time...heah come the funny part... when them two guys got heah they took some vitals and turned white... I had to assure them I was gonna make it ok.... really I did... them younguns get upset so easily...

merry christmas y'all
kella joel
in maine
cleaning up after the guineas

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Date: Sat, 23 Dec 2000 20:12:20 -0500

From: Richard Arland <rarland@earthlink.net>

To: Eastern PA QRP Club <epaqrp-1@Lehigh.EDU>, QRP List <qrp-1@Lehigh.EDU>, QRP

ARCI LIST <qrparci@listbot.com>
Subject: [87090] Happy Holidays
Message-ID: <3A454D74.1B127166@earthlink.net>
MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain; charset=us-ascii
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

Hi Gang:

Just a short note to wish you all a Very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

A special "Thank You" to all of you who are active on the bands using QRP, showing the rest of the ham radio world the fun and challenge of using low power. Here's to more QRP Converts in 2001!

God Bless and 73

Rich K7SZ
Editor, QRP Power

Date: Sat, 23 Dec 2000 17:13:44 -0800
From: Phil Wheeler <w7ox@earthlink.net>
To: tjarey@home.com
Cc: Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion <qrp-l@Lehigh.EDU>
Subject: [87091] Re: Microphone Question
Message-ID: <3A454DC8.F930B5A3@earthlink.net>
MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain; charset=us-ascii
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> --
>

The MH-1 is one of the mikes covered in the SSB adapter manual, so I suspect it will not need a preamp.

Since it was previously re-wired for another radio, you will need to

know how to restore it to Yaesu format .. or if you know what radio it was wired for (e.g., Kenwood) you can use that to translate it in wiring the mike jumper block in the K2.

73, Phil W7OX

Date: Sat, 23 Dec 2000 18:35:08 -0700
From: "Tom Whalen" <wb5qyt@abq.com>
To: <qrp-1@lehigh.edu>
Subject: [87092] poles
Message-ID: <MABBIKAEJKMHLIDDGMCKCELGCBA.wb5qyt@abq.com>
MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain;
 charset="iso-8859-1"
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Gang, I have also found something much like what Chuck has found but at Wal Mart. In the golfing section they have telescoping poles available in either 9' or 15' lengths. Made out of aluminum. The 15 footer is about 9 bux. Intended use for these is to retrieve golf balls that made it into the sand traps(I never did that!).I thought about getting two, making a center support for a rotatable dipole fed with 300 ohm twinlead. These poles looked to me that they might make good continuity as they telescope. Check em' out, but stay away from my local Wal Wart as I have not bought mine yet...HI HI!
72, Tom WB5QYT..."Have spud will travel!"

Date: Sat, 23 Dec 2000 21:00:44 -0500
From: John Wagner <john@neknetwork.com>
To: Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion <qrp-1@Lehigh.EDU>
Subject: [87093] FOX CUB: Cub scoring site has maps
Message-ID: <3A4558CC.2444C9BC@neknetwork.com>
MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain; charset=us-ascii
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I've added the map plot to the fox cub scoring site:
<http://www.neknetwork.com/foxcub2000/>

Works the same as the fox hunt, anitimated to show approx every 5 minutes of the hunt.

Found one bug in the "double hunts" where the same map gets used for both hunts (logs are correct). I'll fix that shortly.

73,

John, KB1ENS

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John Wagner - john@neknetwork.com

Web page: <http://www.neknetwork.com>

Personal Web page: <http://www.together.net/~jwag>

Date: Sat, 23 Dec 2000 21:02:43 -0500

From: "Tom Dooley" <tdooley@atl.mediaone.net>

To: <wb5qyt@abq.com>, "Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion" <qrp-1@Lehigh.EDU>

Subject: [87094] Re: poles

Message-ID: <07f201c06d4d\$9a883120\$72185818@atl.mediaone.net>

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The poles that Tom refers to can also be used to fish the golf balls out of the creeks and other water hazards. I am glad that I personally have never had to use one for that purpose myself. My ball usually is so deep in the water that no pole can retrieve it!

The Home Depots in Atlanta are also having the 10% discount on all items in the stores until they close for Christmas, so check it out!

Happy Holidays to all and I look forward to reading about all of the stocking stuffers and tree fodder that is discovered by our friends on the list.

72 de K4TJD Tom

----- Original Message -----

From: "Tom Whalen" <wb5qyt@abq.com>

To: "Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion" <qrp-1@Lehigh.EDU>

Sent: Saturday, December 23, 2000 20:35 PM

Subject: poles

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Date: Sat, 23 Dec 2000 22:01:27 -0500
From: David Sarraf <david.sarraf@paonline.com>
To: qrp-l@lehigh.edu
Subject: [87095] Re: ARLB049 ARRL seeks FCC review of PRB-1 decision
Message-ID: <3A456707.DB62DD4C@paonline.com>
MIME-Version: 1.0
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Dave W7AQK writes

>Gang--we really need to back the ARRL on this. I don't know about you, but
>I've been haunted by these darn restrictions everywhere I go for the last 40
>years! And that's not an exaggeration either. Here in Tucson it is
>particularly bad. You can't move into any development in town without
>running up against these. I'm operating illegally under my CC&R's right now
>with just an R7 vertical. They are pretty ridiculous.

The town I live in has made several moves to ban ham radio. They have adopted a requirement that all fixed antennas require engineered plans and a favorable vote by the borough council, and have passed an ordinance that grants the town fathers the right to shut down any emitter deemed by them to be a source of RF interference. Flag poles are specifically exempted from the engineered plans requirement, and the DirectTV dishes have been ignored. Enforcement can be zealous. The new enforcement officer spends his days wandering about the town looking for and citing people for trivial code violations, and the most recent version of the building code states that he has the right to inspect both my property and the interior of my home at any time even without my permission and without probable cause. Attempts by local clubs to set up ARES/RACES stations at the town firehall have been either ignored or actively resisted. Even after hearing the benefits they feel that ham radio is simply not needed as either a primary or backup means of communication in an emergency. This situation may be extreme, and much of it is clearly illegal, however this does point toward what can happen when reason and rational discourse take a vacation. I do hope that the

ARRL makes some progress on this issue. A favorable ruling will provide needed ammunition for a ham wanting to take the locals to court over an antenna or a case of RFI rather than just slink away and whimper quietly in a corner watching the zoning officer ransack his house and take his radios.

Dave Sarraf
N3NDJ

Date: Sat, 23 Dec 2000 21:20:04 -0600
From: tim@cooldude.com
To: qrp-1@Lehigh.EDU
Subject: [87096] unsubscribe
Message-ID: <200012240317.VAA23010@nikola.joesmith.net>
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Date: Sat, 23 Dec 2000 22:20:37 -0500
From: Duffer <hduff@ica.net>
To: qrp-1@lehigh.edu
Subject: [87097] re: Whats Best Band for DSW-XX rigs?
Message-ID: <3A456B85.967CDC2F@ica.net>
MIME-Version: 1.0
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It depends on your needs. I went for the DSW-40 myself.
The band is usually open around the clock and I can pretty much conjure up a
QSO without much effort. The DSW-20 would be my second choice followed by the DSW-30 (the least amount of bandwidth, albeit CW only).

Hugh VA3TO

Date: Sat, 23 Dec 2000 17:56:18 -0500
From: "Terres Family" <terresfm@ncia.net>
To: "Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion" <qrp-1@Lehigh.EDU>
Subject: [87082] Whats Best Band for DSW-XX rigs?
Message-ID: <002901c06d33\$9074b060\$8c81f3ce@computer>

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Hi all,

I am on the list for one of the kits and had requested a 30 meter rig but thought that perhaps this might not be making the best use of the features of the Small Wonders Lab DSW like 'infinite' RIT. I am not sure that Dave would let me change the band but figured if I was gonna try I better do it soon.

Small portable and low power on 30 meters makes sense to me because its a low power no phone band. But a SST might make more sense.

So I thought maybe 40 or 20 and wondered what you all think? You can reply direct or on the list if you like.

thanks & happy holidays 73/72

jerry terres aa1of
Franconia, New Hampshire

Date: Sat, 23 Dec 2000 22:21:14 -0500
From: Duffer <hduff@ica.net>
To: qrp-l@lehigh.edu
Subject: [87098] re: ZIF sockets
Message-ID: <3A456BAA.CE898B1D@ica.net>
MIME-Version: 1.0
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Jimmy;
I expressed my dissapointment about your not wanting to sell the ZIF sockets to Canadians, and you attempted to explain yourself. We had further discussions in offline e-mails which

quickly erroded to personal criticism. Lets keep the mudslinging off the list.

Hugh VA3TO

Date: Fri, 22 Dec 2000 21:01:45 -0500 (EST)
From: n2go@arrl.net
To: Duffer <hduff@ica.net>
Cc: Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion <qrp-1@Lehigh.EDU>
Subject: [87019] Re: ZIF sockets
Message-ID: <Pine.LNX.4.21.0012222057180.3304-1000000@valhalla.v>
MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: TEXT/PLAIN; charset=US-ASCII

The lame reason was simply that USPS priority mail had the perfect shipping container. It protected them well and it was "free". It also was picked up in my roadside box and didn't require that I stand in the holiday post office lines and fill out any customs forms. I know that was selfish....

E-X-C-U-S-E M-E :))

73,

Jim n2go

Date: Sat, 23 Dec 2000 22:43:16 -0500
From: "Richard Brummer, K2JQ" <k2jq@bestweb.net>
To: <david.sarrafa@paonline.com>, "Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion" <qrp-1@Lehigh.EDU>
Subject: [87099] Re: ARLB049 ARRL seeks FCC review of PRB-1 decision
Message-ID: <029501c06d5b\$a7476760\$8703b3d8@obvious>
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>emitter deemed by them to be a source of RF interference.

Man, I've seen some guys get "fried" over that one, even when they could not have possibly been on the air.

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>requirement,

That's always an option !

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>to inspect both my property and the interior of my home at any time
even >without my permission and without probable cause.

Seems to me that this was one of the reasons why the Revolutionary War was fought. Ask the Code Enforcement Officer if he has ever heard of the Fourth Amendment ! Maybe you should have a copy handy to show him !

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The situation is NOT extreme, with the preponderance of cellular telephones, and, specifically NEXTEL telephones. I don't recall their name for the service, but use of these cellular phones by a local REACT group has displaced our local radio club for many of the public service events that we used to cover.

Are we, as a nation, going BACKWARDS ! (?)

73,
Dick K2JQ

Date: Sat, 23 Dec 2000 22:42:31 -0500
From: Bob Kellogg <ae4ic@nr.infi.net>
To: KLQRP Reflector <klqrp@applegate.org>, Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion
<qrp-l@Lehigh.EDU>
Subject: [87100] Holiday Milliwatt Contest - next week!
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Guys,

The Knightlites are again sponsoring the Holiday Milliwatt contest.
If you have a club call, get on the air and give out some big points!
If not, just get on the air with those milliwatts! Rules are as follows:

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Bob Kellogg, AE4IC, Greensboro, NC
Prolobly, not nececelery. - Benny Hill

Date: Sat, 23 Dec 2000 23:03:49 EST

From: DYARNES@aol.com

To: mneverdosky@earthlink.net, qrp-l@lehigh.edu

Subject: [87101] Re: ARLB049 ARRL seeks FCC review of PRB-1 decision

Message-ID: <b6.efa91c0.2776cfa5@aol.com>

MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain; charset="US-ASCII"
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Date: Sat, 23 Dec 2000 23:32:02 -0500
From: "Victor Blackwell" <victor@brecnet.com>
To: <k2jq@bestweb.net>, "Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion" <qrp-l@lehigh.edu>
Subject: [87102] Re: ARLB049 ARRL seeks FCC review of PRB-1 decision
Message-ID: <000801c06d62\$84e38620\$355730d1@victor>
MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain;
charset="iso-8859-1"
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

Hey! Cool it! It's only a HOBBY. I keep hearing you newbies to Amateur
Radio proclaim. You even have Riley Hollingsworth calling it a hobby. When
did you buy your last radio at a hobby shop?

Vic Proudly, AD8K I am not going to interfere with an act of God if they
won't let me put up an antenna.

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Date: Sat, 23 Dec 2000 22:39:16 -0600
From: Mike <mmorrow@companet.net>
To: terresfm@ncia.net
Cc: Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion <qrp-1@Lehigh.EDU>
Subject: [87103] Re: Whats Best Band for DSW-XX rigs?
Message-ID: <3A457DF4.7FCA@companet.net>
MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain; charset=us-ascii
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

Terres Family wrote about DSW band selection:

> So I thought maybe 40 or 20 and wondered what you all think?

I don't know there is such a thing as a single "best" band for everyone. I own the DSW-20, -30, and -40. They are absolutely wonderful backpack rigs, and a most elegant and innovative design.

I'd definitely leave 30m as my third choice. It's a good band, but the usable spectrum and population are limited. The 30m band shines as a haven whenever one of the infinite number of contest/dx radio-orgies has wiped out all the non-WARC bands for purposeful communications.

As far as 20m or 40m, that all depends on what hours of the day you'll do most of your operating. Often, there's not much on 20m after mid-evening, while 40m often excels through the night.

IMO, the DSW-20 offers the better opportunity for those impressive long-haul/low-power contacts. Also, I picked the DSW-20 as my favorite because a portable dipole on 20m is so simple to pack and to set up.

I hope you ordered the wonderful enclosure kit for the DSW, too.

73,

Mike / KK5F

Date: Sat, 23 Dec 2000 23:54:06 -0500
From: "Richard Brummer, K2JQ" <k2jq@bestweb.net>
To: "Victor Blackwell" <victor@brecnet.com>, "Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion" <qrp-1@Lehigh.EDU>
Subject: [87104] Re: ARLB049 ARRL seeks FCC review of PRB-1 decision
Message-ID: <02f601c06d65\$8c217020\$8703b3d8@obvious>
MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain;
charset="iso-8859-1"
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

It may only be a hobby in your mind, Vic, but it's a privelege that this 35-year ham (not a newbie!) would not want to be restricted from !

Last time I looked, Part 97 still has us listed as a SERVICE.

I don't buy them often, but the last time I bought a radio, it was from my LOCAL dealer !

>I am not going to interfere with an act of God if they
>won't let me put up an antenna.

That's not an act of God -- that's an act of supposedly normal, mortal, earthbound MEN !

73,
Dick K2JQ

Date: Sun, 24 Dec 2000 00:08:59 -0500
From: "Victor Blackwell" <victor@brecnet.com>
To: <k2jq@bestweb.net>, "Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion" <qrp-l@lehigh.edu>
Subject: [87105] Re: ARLB049 ARRL seeks FCC review of PRB-1 decision
Message-ID: <001d01c06d67\$a0496ec0\$355730d1@victor>
MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain;
 charset="iso-8859-1"
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

Hey, you missed all the points. Congrats...new record. Are you really that "2" station that answers all my CQ DX EU?

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PS. Got you by twenty years.
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Date: Sun, 24 Dec 2000 00:11:29 -0500
From: rich a <rckchp@home.com>
To: qrp-1@Lehigh.EDU
Subject: [87106] Re: fiberglass poles and tubes
Message-ID: <3A458581.DD72AAC5@home.com>
MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain; charset=us-ascii
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

Look Here: <http://877icefish.safeshopper.com/94/cat94.htm?983>

Date: Sun, 24 Dec 2000 05:54:36 -0000
From: "Marty" <n9se@home.com>
To: <ae4ic@nr.infi.net>, "Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion" <qrp-1@Lehigh.EDU>
Subject: [87107] Re: Holiday Milliwatt Contest - next week!
Message-ID: <008601c06d6d\$ff042b20\$68d81618@kokomo1.in.home.com>
MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain;
charset="iso-8859-1"
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

Bob,

I'm confused, as usual. Does this mean the sending or receiving station get this many points? (or both?)

Thanks for de-obfuscating me.

Regards,

Marty, N9SE

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Date: Sat, 23 Dec 2000 22:12:10 -0800
From: "J. Marcus Ziegler" <ziegler@accesscom.com>
To: "QRP-L" <qrp-l@Lehigh.EDU>
Subject: [87108] Warbler Alley
Message-ID: <001b01c06d70\$73f0cea0\$1bc8f040@accesscom.com>
MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain;
charset="Windows-1252"
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

I had a contact today who called 3580-3581 kHz "Warbler Alley". This is the first time I have heard that phrase.

Quite a compliment to all those Warblers the NJ QRP Club has produced.

W6ZH was using a K2 at 5 watts for his contact with my Warbler (Pasadena CA to Santa Cruz CA, say 400 miles).

- Marc, w6zzzz@arrl.net
Loma Prieta Amateur Radio Club -
<http://www.accesscom.com/~ziegler/lparc.html>

Date: Sat, 23 Dec 2000 23:26:10 -0800
From: "ALAN KAUL" <alan.kaul@worldnet.att.net>
To: <DYARNES@aol.com>
Cc: <qrp-l@lehigh.edu>

Subject: [87109] Re: ARLB049 ARRL seeks FCC review of PRB-1 decision
Message-ID: <003f01c06d7a\$cb359ce0\$bb07500c@default>
MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain;
charset="iso-8859-1"
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

Dave: I think we all agree about attacking CC and R's ... but I also believe a part of the problem is the ARRL's approach

The ARRL went before the FCC and said "you ought to do it because of reasons a-b-c."

The FCC said NO.

Then ARRL appealed and said you made a mistake because of reasons ABC.

The FCC said NO again.

Now the ARRL is going back and asking for a full commission reconsideration citing ABC as the reasons again.

I think that's the wrong approach. Those arrows have already been shot and the quiver is empty. I believe the ARRL ought to go back and say to the FCC you should reverse the decision NOT ONLY because of reasons ABC as we argued before --- but here's something else to consider-----reasons DEF.

Pointing out to the full commission, the lower tribunals ruled on the basis of reasons ABC and didn't even consider reasons DEF ... and together, reasons ABCDEF absolutely REQUIRE reversal of the previous decision.

Now what NEW evidence could the ARRL cite?

Here's one thought: How about pointing out that RF Standards ought to remain the exclusive jurisdiction of the FCC? And no matter how benign a CC and R might seem, what it is doing is setting the boundaries of the RF field of a duly licensed amateur radio station. The simple laws of physics mean that an antenna closer to the ground is going to have a more intense field in the proximity of people, than an antenna that is, for example, 40-feet high. When the CCandR's specifies that no antennas are allowed above the roofline, etc., it allows the industrious Amateur operator to build an under-eave, or attic, or disguised ventpipe, clandestine wires antenna, etc., But what the CC and R's are really requiring is THAT ALL ANTENNA RADIATION BE CLOSER TO THE PEOPLE THAT LIVE IN THE HOUSE, closer to appliances that the field might affect, etc.

To me, this seems like adequate grounds for FCC preemption of local ordinances. Who knows, maybe one of you out there will come up with another reason or two that could fill up the ARRL's appeal brief....

73 de alan

Alan Kaul, W6RCL, LaCanada, CA
w6rcl@amsat.org , <http://home.att.net/~alan.kaul/index.html>

Date: Sun, 24 Dec 2000 02:43:26 -0500
From: "w8erv" <w8erv@email.msn.com>
To: <alan.kaul@worldnet.att.net>, "Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion" <qrp-1@Lehigh.EDU>
Subject: [87110] Re: ARLB049 ARRL seeks FCC review of PRB-1 decision
Message-ID: <004e01c06d7d\$341058c0\$38451b3f@ervsmonster>
MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain;
 charset="iso-8859-1"
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Alan, three cheers for your level-headed thinking. Too bad we don't have more like you serving the ARRL's interests. It would be like sending David against Goliath for the third time, with Goliath fortified a hundred fold.

The League may be attempting to serve us in the best way they can, but it seems apparent that they need more than DEF....maybe a G or H would benefit, as well. The reason you cite is well and good, but in the interest of US Amateurs, let's hope the appeal team will do their homework and shed some BADLY needed light on this before it's lost completely.

72, es Merry Christmas to all,
Erv W8ERV

Date: Sat, 23 Dec 2000 23:41:46 -0800
From: "ALAN KAUL" <alan.kaul@worldnet.att.net>
To: <DYARNES@aol.com>, "Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion" <qrp-1@Lehigh.EDU>
Subject: [87111] Re: ARLB049 ARRL seeks FCC review of PRB-1 decision
Message-ID: <009301c06d7c\$f8ac7d40\$bb07500c@default>
MIME-Version: 1.0
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Date: Sat, 23 Dec 2000 10:56:55 +0000
From: Euramcom <mel@euramcom.freemove.co.uk>
To: <qrp-l@lehigh.edu>
Subject: [87112] Friends I've never met
Message-ID: <E14A81k-0004sv-00.2000-12-24-10-52-49@mail11.svr.pol.co.uk>
Mime-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain; charset="iso-8859-1"
Content-Transfer-Encoding: quoted-printable

Hi gangue,

Twas the night before Christmas,
and all through the house. . . .

Some of you will know that I am an active caravanner here in the= UK.

I am subscribed to a list covering this subject, and one of our=

long
time listees has just lost his wife in a sudden three day=
illness.

The outpouring of support for him in his time of trouble is=
reflected
on every list I subscribe to. I think automatically of Nils'=
posts
and those from "hamjoel", and many, many others as the World Wide=
Web
draws us ever closer together.

I am surrounded by "Friends I've never met (yet)!" on the various=
lists I am subscribed to. To all those friends, of whatever=
religious
persuasion or none, may your God go with you. Take care of=
yourself
and your families, and may the next year be better for you than=
last
year was.

With our regards, and best wishes

Mel and Ella (she who must be obeyed!)

--72 and 73 de Mel Evans, e-mail mel@euramcom.freemove.co.uk

Mel Evans GM6JAG Edinburgh Scotland
Home of the last HW9

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Date: Sun, 24 Dec 2000 06:44:14 -0500
From: "w8diz" <w8diz@cinci.rr.com>
To: "Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion" <qrp-l@lehigh.edu>
Cc: <fpqrp-l@mpna.com>
Subject: [87113] Re: Holiday Milliwatt Contest - next week!
Message-ID: <005601c06d9e\$d7581bf0\$7ecd1b41@cinci.rr.com>
MIME-Version: 1.0
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Wednesday, Dec. 27, 2000Z to 0000Z

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The call is W8PIG and will only run 50 mWatts
Look for us on 160 at the end of each day and
on 10 at the start of each day; also on 20 and 40.
Transmit site will be in SW Ohio.

I wanna see what big ears you have :-)

72 & "oo's" - Dieter (DIZ) Gentzow - W8DIZ - Loveland, Ohio
Clermont County - EM79uf - near Cincinnati; 39.218N - 84.305W
SOC-8 DLQRPAG-1454 ARCI-10226 ARS-781 QRPL-1998 10X-9389 CATT-26
FPqrp#-1 <http://home.cinci.rr.com/w8diz> [AOL-IM "w8diz"]

----- Original Message -----

From: "Bob Kellogg" <ae4ic@nr.infi.net>

To: "Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion" <qrp-l@Lehigh.EDU>

Sent: Saturday, December 23, 2000 10:42 PM

Subject: Holiday Milliwatt Contest - next week!

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Date: Sun, 24 Dec 2000 13:03:53 +0000
From: Michael Neverdosky <mneverdosky@earthlink.net>
To: Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion <qrp-l@Lehigh.EDU>
Subject: [87114] Re: ARLB049 ARRL seeks FCC review of PRB-1 decision
Message-ID: <3A45ADE9.5D35989D@earthlink.net>
MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain; charset=us-ascii
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

No, it puts the title insurance company on the spot. They are on point as to finding ALL encumbrances during the title search. If they miss it then you can force them to buy your house and pay your legal costs. Be sure to get an lawyer to draw up the purchase contract to cover yourself.

Second, you make any real estate agent you deal with to sign a form that they have disclosed all material facts speciffically including deed restrictions and CC&Rs. If they balk, walk! There are plenty of agents that will do things your way.

Nothing in the contracts exempts you from the restrictions but it will let you invalidate the sale and recover expenses.

michael N6CHV

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Date: Sun, 24 Dec 2000 08:25:22 EST
From: Shephed@aol.com
To: fpqrp-1@mpna.com, qrp-1@lehigh.edu
Subject: [87115] Cub Fox: N8IE Xmas Night
Message-ID: <39.e6a977d.27775342@aol.com>
MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain; charset="US-ASCII"
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

Hello everyone!
I'll stand in for Ron, N8VAR as the Xmas night Cub Fox on 12/25/00!
I'll start some where around 7.118 +/- at 0200 the will most likely QSY up to
7.141 +/- around 0300.

Setup here will be the Kenwood TS-440 @ 5 watts to a Hygain verticle.
Hope to work you all, and have a very Merry Christmas!

72, 73, oo's
Dan, N8IE Kettering, Oh
FPqrp #-6, QRP-1 #1404, FISTS #4985, Zombie #667, SOC #284
<http://members.aol.com/shephed/n8ie.htm>

Date: Sun, 24 Dec 2000 08:52:37 -0500
From: Tom and Roxy <zikot@erie.net>
To: qrp-1@Lehigh.EDU
Subject: [87116] FOR SALE
Message-ID: <3.0.5.32.20001224085237.00880dc0@erie.net>
Mime-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain; charset="us-ascii"

I have a Atlas 210X in MINT! condition with the original owners manual and
hand microphone.

This rig will run QRP levels by adjusting the ALC control.

The Atlas 210X run 100w on 80-10m however on 10m it only covers 28.4
to 29.999. The 10m range can be adjusted to any other segment of the

10m band. I chose not to adjust the 10m range since I have another rig for 10m CW.

If anyone is interested I can provide digital pictures of the rig.

Anyone that is interested please email me direct.

Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year to everyone on QRP-L.

73's es gud DX!

Tom & Roxanne
WA1VAI/3

Date: Sun, 24 Dec 2000 09:41:58 -0500
From: "Brian B. Riley, N1BQ" <n1bq@wulfden.org>
To: <david.sarrafa@paonline.com>, "Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion" <qrp-l@lehigh.edu>
Subject: [87117] Zoning Nightmare
Message-ID: <LPBBJAGIPFHKPJENAKLOEELMDEAA.n1bq@wulfden.org>
MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain;
 charset="iso-8859-1"
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> -----Original Message-----
> From: David Sarraf
> Sent: Saturday, December 23, 2000 22:01 PM

[snip]

> Dave W7AQK writes
> >Gang--we really need to back the ARRL on this. I don't know

[snip]

> The town I live in has made several moves to ban ham radio. They have
> adopted a requirement that all fixed antennas require engineered plans
> and a favorable vote by the borough council, and have passed an
> ordinance that grants the town fathers the right to shut down any

> emitter deemed by them to be a source of RF interference. Flag poles
> are specifically exempted from the engineered plans requirement, and
the
> DirectTV dishes have been ignored.

grounds for overturning ... selective enforcement

> .. Enforcement can be zealous. The new
> enforcement officer spends his days wandering about the town
> looking for and citing people for trivial code violations, and the
most
> recent version of the building code states that he has the right
> to inspect both my property and the interior of my home at any time
> even without my permission and without probable cause.

no way entry without permission unless you are a renter and he has
permission of landlord and even then there are a number legal precedents
limiting that.

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Just my \$.03 ... FWIW

72 de brian, n1bq

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N1BQ-3 @ 44 31.73N 072 51.55W

WideN-N digi and weather station in Underhill Center, VT

mailto:n1bq@wulfden.org

AMSAT LM-1418 NJQRP #274

QRP-L #2276 Zombie #768

Date: Sun, 24 Dec 2000 15:09:17 +0000

From: nilsbull@juno.com

To: sgci@egroups.com, eleccraft@qth.net, QRP-L@lehigh.edu

Subject: [87118] In consideration of the times

Message-ID: <20001224.150925.-215805.0.nilsbull@juno.com>

MIME-Version: 1.0

Content-Type: text/plain

Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

Gang,

I was sittin' here this morning flossin' my toothbrush while listening to the Voice of Russia play Christmas music. It struck me that times have certainly changed. Added to all the metacognition that I've gone through working on my 21st century web pages, the idea struck me as almost emblematic for the times we've lived through and the time in place that we are all together today.

Who would imagine (to borrow a line from Frank Zappa, himself emblematic of the times) that I would ever hear a transmitter site in the former Soviet hegemony playing Christmas music? Or that there would even be the phrase "former Soviet hegemony"?

During the time I've spent on the web pages, I've had many occasions to wonder the same Zappa line about a wide variety of linked subjects. Like

the submarine at the bottom of the Polar Sea, all those lives lost because the mechanisms of war, once so proudly displayed by the former Soviet hegemony, was not admitted into the list of suffering failures that we've all endured over the past 50-odd years (speaking from my own time line).

Vietnam. Fifty-eight-thousand names on black rock like a parade stuck in place as the crown & not the owners of those names file by, tears & flags & broken dreams in the air. Chernobyl encased, ever so slowly and none too proudly, in concrete which will never last the half-life of the material so frighteningly let loose upon all of humanity. Three Mile Island added to our own sense of shame. Or the Hanford Reactor site, one in a long list of items sure to destroy what's left of humanity's hope once the orbit of the Earth slips into something less elliptical & the sheets of ice return to evolve us more.

It's all rather simple on the surface, all these changes. They seem so transparent, so facile, like the move from a radio with thirteen knobs and three rows of push-button switches to one with three knobs & a handful of rubber buttons & carbon layer detents. Or one with no knobs at all, just a simple set of < and > with labels on top. We take it all in stride.

Or maybe we don't. Channuka (with some saying that it too is being commercialized like Christmas) this year coincides with the end of Ramadan and the Eid al Fitir, the celebration of the end of fasting & a renewal of the spirit. And the birth of the prophes known, to some, as Isa and to others as Jesus also celebrated, along with Tivali or yule (true meaning: solstice). Once the prayers are said & the blessings handed out, it's back to the store or the street, money or power, guns or children.

The desire to keep things the same is very great. Perhaps our human ability to adapt -- compared to the mechanism of the limbic cortex -- is not that great at all, just physical moves not much different than the migrations of Santa Claus' reindeer or the run of the lemmings.

As a human being with a sense of social presence, I hope that we can accept the need to change, to celebrate the return of the sun together. But as a person who spends too much time wondering why "dominate" and "donate" appear to come from the same root (they don't), I'm not all that optimistic.

So at one time of the year I get to think that maybe I'm wrong, that I should at least dust the cynic's refuse from my shoulders and go with the proverbial flow -- or at least that part of the flow that seems to carry the most hope for any possible future, sheets of ice & the Hanford Reactor site be damned. Kinda like listening to Christmas music from

Russia with the statues of Lenin pulled down & the churches nominally full now and then, as time permits.

Which leaves me with the "best wishes" part: May you all enjoy the return of the sun, the advance of hope, the ability to change & accept, the frontal lobe to restrain the anger & hatred & hurt, the loss & hunger & pain. When you think of it, after autonomic things like breathing, a beating heart and nominal continency, what we should value most is each other.

As I admit now and then, I value you. All of you goofy radio-lovin', badger-dispersing people who make me smile, even in off-topic, high signal-to-noise ratio postings like this one.

Stay well. Stay sane. Stay out of harm's way.

73

Nils

Nils R. Bull Young -- El Gringo Errante -- La Estancia de los Guajolotes
Sonrientes

<http://www6.50megs.com/w8ijn> -- W8IJN --

<http://members.fortunecity.com/nilsbull>

"In MY day we had to FIGHT to have earphones! Every DAY was a STRUGGLE!"

-- Comrade Nikolai Sergeievich

McTovarishov, 19 Oct 1917

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Date: Sun, 24 Dec 2000 08:35:06 -0700

From: Ray Colbert <w5xe@juno.com>

To: w0av@juno.com

Subject: [87119] Re: Re. Need VR Tube

Message-ID: <3A4617AA.D916DC95@juno.com>

MIME-Version: 1.0

Content-Type: text/plain; charset=us-ascii

Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

George, if you don't find one here or on the Glowbug list, you might try Antique Electronic Supply in Tempe, Az - web site

at: <http://www.tubesandmore.com/> .

And their catalog is a nice item to have on hand.
It shows the ob3/vr90 at 2.60, oc3/vr105 at 4.60 and
the od3/vr150 at 4.30. I ordered some tubes last
month for my T-60 (spares) and they were here in 2
days via UPS.

73

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changed regularly -- and for the same reason"

"Scotsman - Scotsman's Diary 12/97"

Ray Colbert, W5XE, 00TC#3618, SOWP#1064M SOC#78 fp #111
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-----NetZero Free Internet Access and Email-----
<http://www.netzero.net/download/index.html>

Date: Sun, 24 Dec 2000 08:41:26 -0700

From: Ray Colbert <w5xe@juno.com>

To: qrp-1@lehigh.edu

Subject: [87120] Re: Warbler Alley

Message-ID: <3A461926.52E4314@juno.com>

MIME-Version: 1.0

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Date: Sun, 24 Dec 2000 09:42:12 -0600
From: "Dan W. Dooley" <dandooley@pipeline.com>
To: <w5xe@juno.com>, "Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion" <qrp-1@Lehigh.EDU>
Cc: "Hellschreiber@onelist.com" <hellschreiber@onelist.com>, "PSK31"
<psk31@bip106.bi.ehu.es>
Subject: [87121] Re: Warbler Alley
Message-ID: <00d301c06dc0\$1a6a5ae0\$0200a8c0@dandooley>
MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain;
charset="iso-8859-1"
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

This is making me wonder if some are not using the "wrong" sideband.

Technically there is no difference when running a mode like PSK31, or even
MFSK16 (are we calling that 'piccolo'?) which sideband is used, but
operationally there really is.

If we will put the radios on USB as per what should be common custom, set
the dial to 3580, then any operation would be upstream from there. This
would avoid butting into CW opps and others below.

I'm not familiar enough with the Warbler to tell what sideband it operates
on, and if it can be switched, but using another radio, I have the choice.

Mine is set when on PK31, to 3579.5 (and my DigiPan cal) and my operation
is usually around 3581 or thereabouts. For MFSK16, I set the dial to 3580.

Dan W. Dooley WB5TKA Bedford, Texas EM12ku
e-mail to: dandooley@pipeline.com
Web site: http://www.qsl.net/wb9tka
SOC #198, FPQRP # -104
May Goddes love blest ye alle
"Ancient Pistol, I do partly understand your meaning."

----- Original Message -----

From: "Ray Colbert" <w5xe@juno.com>
To: "Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion" <qrp-1@Lehigh.EDU>
Sent: Sunday, December 24, 2000 9:41 AM

Subject: Re: Warbler Alley

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Date: Sun, 24 Dec 2000 10:22:09 -0600
From: "Chuck Carpenter" <w5usj@globeco.net>
To: "Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion" <qrp-l@Lehigh.EDU>
Subject: [87122] [Ant] Extension Poles -- Pools
Message-ID: <3.0.2.32.20001224102209.006befb0@mail.globeco.net>
Mime-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain; charset="us-ascii"

Folks...

The 18 foot aluminum pool-cleaning extension poles work nicely too.
Especially on 20 meters. About 25 bux at Wal-Mart as I recall. Similar
problem as mentioned by Chuck. The locking joints are insulated -- on the
one I have anyway.

Chuck Carpenter, EM22cv, Point, Rains County, Texas

Date: Sun, 24 Dec 2000 10:30:11 -0600 (CST)
From: Andrew Reynolds <calliban@sinnfree.sinnfree.org>
To: "Brian B. Riley, N1BQ" <n1bq@wulfdan.org>
Cc: Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion <qrp-l@Lehigh.EDU>
Subject: [87123] Re: Zoning Nightmare
Message-ID: <Pine.LNX.4.05.10012241007170.25935-100000@sinnfree.sinnfree.org>
MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: TEXT/PLAIN; charset=US-ASCII

On Sun, 24 Dec 2000, Brian B. Riley, N1BQ wrote:

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> > -----Original Message-----
> > From: David Sarraf
> > Sent: Saturday, December 23, 2000 22:01 PM
>
> [snip]
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> > Dave W7AQK writes
> > >Gang--we really need to back the ARRL on this. I don't know
>
> [snip]
>
> > The town I live in has made several moves to ban ham radio. They have
> > adopted a requirement that all fixed antennas require engineered plans
> > and a favorable vote by the borough council, and have passed an
> > ordinance that grants the town fathers the right to shut down any
> > emitter deemed by them to be a source of RF interference. Flag poles
> > are specifically exempted from the engineered plans requirement, and
> > the
> > DirectTV dishes have been ignored.
>
> grounds for overturning ... selective enforcement

To play the devil's advocate here, no, it isn't. Flag poles and small satellite dishes aren't something that stands a chance of collapsing and possibly killing either the resident of the house, or someone living next to it. That *does* put it technically inside the purvey of the local building regs.

>
> > .. Enforcement can be zealous. The new
> > enforcement officer spends his days wandering about the town
> > looking for and citing people for trivial code violations, and the
> most
> > recent version of the building code states that he has the right
> > to inspect both my property and the interior of my home at any time
> > even without my permission and without probable cause.
>
> no way entry without permission unless you are a renter and he has
> permission of landlord and even then there are a number legal precedents
> limiting that.

Agreed. Especially the search without probable cause. Nearly every court from the US Supreme on down has said that even police officers have to have probable cause (except in certain limited instances) before they enter and do any searches. This one is **way** over the line.

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> > ... Attempts by

> > local clubs to set up ARES/RACES stations at the town firehall have
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I don't know that they've put any sort of "confiscate" rule into your local building rules, but I can't see how they could. The worst that the building inspector could do is issue a "stop use" citation, which would mean that you'd have to stop using your rig or face a fine. Even then, they'd have to show that the use was posing a danger to others, which would be pretty hard to do.

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Class action and civil rights suits are **very** different animals, and, seeing as how I can't remember any place in the Constitution that gives us the "right" to be hams, I'm not sure that you could go after this set of laws under that type of suit. As for collusion or other claims, I don't know what has or hasn't happened in your town/area,

so I'm not going to go down the speculation road. Getting the ACLU into this might or might not work. They might not even see it as something that needs to be fought, as your direct rights as a US citizen aren't really infringed upon by this ruling. You can still be a ham, I don't think that the rules you've outlined say you can't, but you just have some (admittedly onerous) restrictions on some parts of your activity. Perhaps a better option would be to keep hamming, and go after it via every crack in the rules. You can have a small satellite dish? Pick one up and go into microwave, or maybe even satellites, then let them say why it's legal for one use, but not another. Put up a flag-pole vertical for the lowest band you can, load the heck out of it and go on 160!, and then let them tell you why you can't earn WAS with it, but you can fly a flag from it. When they come after you for *these* things, then it'll be selective enforcement, and the ACLU will come in with guns (figuratively) blazing.

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I have no problem with the ARRL fighting this sort of case. They've fought it with moderate success in the past, and have the legal info to make other fights easier for the ham in question. I also don't think that juries and judges are particularly stupid. Give them concrete examples of why these rules are wrong, and how they're being used to punish you, and I think you'll find that they're going to come down on your side. Go in and scream about how you "rights" are being "infringed", and they'll mark you off as just another crybaby nut case to be ignored.

'Nuf said.....

Later,
Andy
WD9IYT

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Date: Sun, 24 Dec 2000 11:24:38 -0500
From: Bob Kellogg <ae4ic@nr.infi.net>
To: Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion <qrp-l@Lehigh.EDU>
Subject: [87124] OT-Pic Programming
Message-ID: <3A462346.7A5FA867@nr.infi.net>
MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain; charset=us-ascii
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

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Bob Kellogg, AE4IC, Greensboro, NC
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Date: Sun, 24 Dec 2000 11:38:26 -0500
From: "John J. McDonough" <wb8rcr@arrl.net>
To: <ae4ic@nr.infi.net>, "Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion" <qrp-l@Lehigh.EDU>
Subject: [87125] Re: OT-Pic Programming
Message-ID: <03de01c06dc7\$f2da82e0\$010044c0@baycty1.mi.home.com>
MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain;
charset="iso-8859-1"
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Bob

Just last month I did a session on PICs for the local radio club and posted the slides at the club site <http://www.qsl.net/w8kea>. Included were a number of links.

Basically, you get the IDE from Microchip
(<http://www.microchip.com/10/tools/index.htm>) (it's a nice IDE), and you
build a programmer according to
<http://covingtoninnovations.com/noppp/index.html>

If you look at my site (below), there are pictures of that programmer built
manhattan style. Also, the notes from the previous month's club meeting
shows links for where to get parts.

72/73 de WB8RCR <http://members.home.com/wb8rcr/index.htm>
didileydadidah QRP-L #1446 Code Warriors #35

----- Original Message -----

From: "Bob Kellogg" <ae4ic@nr.infi.net>
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Date: Sun, 24 Dec 2000 11:43:44 -0500 (EST)
From: n2go@arrl.net
To: Bob Kellogg <ae4ic@nr.infi.net>
Cc: Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion <qrp-l@Lehigh.EDU>
Subject: [87126] Re: OT-Pic Programming
Message-ID: <Pine.LNX.4.21.0012241138250.350-1000000@valhalla.v>
MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: TEXT/PLAIN; charset=US-ASCII

I found what I think is the best value in Pic programmers. You can build
one for less. The Warp-13 is completely compatible with picstart and the

mplab software which is the standard.

<http://www.new-elect.com/default.htm>

Another good source for pic related items at "bulk rate" prices for single lot orders :

<http://www.phanderson.com/ordering.html>

also check out these for info on pic-ing

<http://www.njqrp.org/ham-pic/>

<http://www.geocities.com/alibhernlem/Radio/freq.html>

Seasons Greetings.

73,

Jim n2go

Date: Sun, 24 Dec 2000 08:49:41 -0800
From: Phil Wheeler <w7ox@earthlink.net>
To: wb8rcr@arrl.net
Cc: Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion <qrp-1@Lehigh.EDU>
Subject: [87127] Re: OT-Pic Programming
Message-ID: <3A462925.71193284@earthlink.net>
MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain; charset=us-ascii
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73, Phil W7OX

Date: Sun, 24 Dec 2000 10:52:20 -0600
From: w0av@juno.com
To: QRP-L@lehigh.edu
Subject: [87128] Re: Santa Claus & "Need VR Tube"
Message-ID: <20001224.105220.-491213.7.w0av@juno.com>
MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain; charset=us-ascii
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Hello Charles, Ken, Ray & All,

Yes, VRginia, there is a Santa Claus.

In fact there are several Santa's (well, maybe one and lots of helpers)
right here on QRP-L.

Within minutes after posting my plaintive plea for a VR90 to replace the
defective one which destroyed itself upon merely encountering old and
porous concrete, I had offers from a number of fellow QRPers to supply me
with VR's tubes gratis, or for the price of postage.

Many, many thanks to all who responded with VR's or suggestions. All
messages were received with great pleasure.

QRP'ers are a really great group. I'm not sure why they welcomed me to
their midst, but I am grateful.

I'll be watching for a chance to return favors to all of my fellow QRPers
whenever I can help in any way.

72/73/74 and Happy Holidays. Let's keep QRP booming in 2001!

de George/W0AV
SOC#101
Hamming it up since 1935

Date: Sun, 24 Dec 2000 12:03:44 -0500
From: "John J. McDonough" <wb8rcr@arrl.net>
To: "Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion" <qrp-l@Lehigh.EDU>
Subject: [87129] Re: OT-Pic Programming
Message-ID: <042801c06dcb\$7bbc4aa0\$010044c0@baycty1.mi.home.com>
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I'll be happy to email the PowerPoint to anyone who wants. Just email me.
If anyone is planning on a PIC presentation for their club, I do have a
number of pictures of the PIC based Morse reader (from Aug QST more or less)
and counter, as well as the programmer, built by both myself and N8ERO, so
there are 2 different incarnations of each device. I'd be glad to share
those pictures as well. I didn't put them on the club site because only a
small part of that presentation was in PowerPoint so assembling the
collection is a little bit of a pain.

72/73 de WB8RCR <http://members.home.com/wb8rcr/index.htm>
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Date: Sun, 24 Dec 2000 10:44:44 -0700
From: "James R. Duffey" <jamesd1@flash.net>
To: <qrp-l@lehigh.edu>, <k7qo@primenet.com>
Subject: [87130] Re: [ANTENNAS] Home Depot Extension Poles
Message-ID: <B66B841C.4728%jamesd1@flash.net>
Mime-version: 1.0
Content-type: text/plain; charset="US-ASCII"
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I use a 17.5 foot (5.3 M) "Alumaglass" pole that I got from Home Depot/Home
Base several years ago for my portable inverted Vee support. The cost was
about \$25 or so. They are still in stock, although they do not seem to
restock them as often as the shorter (12 and 15 foot) ones. Keep looking if
they do not have one.

These are sold as paint roller extenders. They are sturdy and telescope
easily with compression fittings between sections. The first section is
yellow fiberglass and the other two are aluminum. I telescope mine so that
there is 6 inches overlap between sections. I use a 3 ft wooden roller paint
extension with a balun and dipole attached. This screws on nicely to the

top. I guyed it the first few times I used it, but now only rely on the inverted vee to guy it which works out fine, even in the 30 + mph winds we always seem to have in New Mexico during QRP field outings. In use I put in a ground stand made from a 2" x 6" with a pipe flange and nipple attached. The pole fits nicely into the nipple. I then clamp it to a handy support, usually a fence pole, guardrail post, sign post, or picnic shelter. This is usually adequate support without additional guying being required.

They also have a 24 ft model in stock from time to time, but it is more rare than the 17 ft model. I originally rejected it as being too flimsy, but my experience with the shorter one leads me to believe that these things are more sturdy than they appear. I will get one of these 24 footers for the February FYB0. - Dr. Megacycle KK6MC/5

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Date: Sun, 24 Dec 2000 14:20:37 -0500 (GMT+5)
From: wd9eyb@butler.qrp.com
To: qrp-l@lehigh.edu
Subject: [87131] Warbler Group Building Session
Message-ID: <Pine.LNX.3.95.1001224142001.17943A-1000000@butler.qrp.com>
MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: TEXT/PLAIN; charset=US-ASCII

I wish to invite you to a Warbler group building session on 12-30-00, at 1:00 PM in Terre Haute, IN. I'll have my working Warbler there for comparison. If you would like to come just contact me at wd9eyb@arrl.net or 812.238.0584 for details.

Jim, WD9EYB

Date: Sun, 24 Dec 2000 13:16:14 -0600
From: "Dan W. Dooley" <dandooley@pipeline.com>
To: "Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion" <qrp-l@Lehigh.EDU>
Cc: "Hellschreiber@onelist.com" <hellschreiber@onelist.com>, "PSK31" <psk31@bipt106.bi.ehu.es>
Subject: [87132] Re: [psk31] Re: Warbler Alley

Message-ID: <006601c06ddd\$fe8fa280\$0200a8c0@dandooley>
MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain;
charset="iso-8859-1"
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

Ok, folks, technical issues aside, the problem is not directly that the "wrong" sideband is being used, it's the result of using that wrong sideband. Where it's causing the signals to be within the band.

When Stream (MFSK16) loads up, it displays a list of - I guess - customary operating frequencies for the band. For example, 3580 for 80 meters. So if you set the dial to 3580, and the center freq. in the waterfall is 1000, then your operation is (real carrier freq.) 3579.

If we need - for what ever reason - to remain in LSB on these lower bands, then we need to be aware of where our RF signal is frequency wise, and adjust according. Move the dial to 3582 or so.

I think (and no rule setting on my part), that would move MFSK just a little out of the way of PSK31 and certainly out of the way of CW. I'd like to see a bit more seperation on 80. There seems to be more seperation on the other bands.

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SOC #198, FPQRP # -104
May Goddes love blest ye alle
"Ancient Pistol, I do partly understand your meaning."

Date: Sun, 24 Dec 2000 11:45:32 -0800
From: Phil Wheeler <w7ox@earthlink.net>
To: dandooley@pipeline.com
Cc: Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion <qrp-l@Lehigh.EDU>
Subject: [87133] Re: [psk31] Re: Warbler Alley
Message-ID: <3A46525C.46B53934@earthlink.net>
MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain; charset=us-ascii
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

"Dan W. Dooley" wrote:

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> out of the way of PSK31 and certainly out of the way of CW. I'd like to see
> a bit more separation on 80. There seems to be more separation on the other
> bands.

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BTW .. where (freq range) do the 20 meter MFSK signals show up?

73, Phil W7OX

Date: Sun, 24 Dec 2000 11:59:37 -0800
From: Marv Fagenson <k6hcj@juno.com>
To: qrp-1@Lehigh.edu
Subject: [87134] ZS1JX
Message-ID: <20001224.115940.-112135.0.k6hcj@juno.com>
MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

Gangue:I worked Peter at 1750Z (9:50AM) today, 12/24 with my NC 20 at 6
watts. He gave me a 469. I gave him a 579. He was running 400 W. Wind
musta been blowing his way.
72 1/2 seasons greetings
Marv Fagenson
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Date: Sun, 24 Dec 2000 14:06:17 -0600
From: "Brian L. Lewis" <bl@csi.com>
To: Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion <qrp-1@lehigh.edu>
Subject: [87135] Christams Beacon Notice---
Message-ID: <3A465739.B0C7D8E8@csi.com>
MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain; charset=us-ascii
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

The beacon is ready to go---

On Christmas Day (December 25, 2000) at 2300 UTC, I will be transmitting for 2 hours at 250mw on 7044 (plus or minus a tad).

I will be using a Kenwood TS850s (power dialed way down), a PK-3 keyer in beacon mode, a 40m dipole (oriented ne/sw) up 45 feet.

The message will be as follows (at 18 wpm):

VVVV de K5RV 250mw **** de K5RV ar

The four stars will be the "secret word". (4 second delay between each transmission)

Once you have copied the "secret word", email me at beacon@5watts.com with the word you copied, your callsign, and your QTH.

I will post the first 50 reports (with the correct "secret word") to the www.5watts.com website. I plan to update the website continuously, so you could see your report posted very quickly.

For more information, go to www.5watts.com or email me.

Merry Christmas and have fun with ham radio.

72/73,

Brian Lewis
K5RV

Date: Sun, 24 Dec 2000 13:57:32 -0800
From: "K7FD/N7SG" <cqdx@teleport.com>
To: "QRP-L" <qrp-l@Lehigh.EDU>
Subject: [87136] Now that's a real challenge!
Message-ID: <001501c06df4\$8578ace0\$44231ad8@N7SG>
MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain;
charset="Windows-1252"
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

After working the 2.5mw signal of AB6QR on twenty meters this afternoon I learned of his quest to work all fifty states under 5 watts...COMBINED!

He says I was state number 27 and I really helped his average...hihi! But I still felt guilty running QRO at 5 watts... ;)

Merry Christmas to all,

72 John K7FD

PS. WA7TQK es WA7SPY asked me how my K1 was coming along. I responded by saying it's still in the muffin tin. Of course their response was "maybe you should pop it in the oven...and it'll come out well done!" Ho Ho HO...

Date: Sun, 24 Dec 2000 14:09:48 -0800
From: "K7FD/N7SG" <cqdx@teleport.com>
To: <w6toy@erols.com>
Cc: "QRP-L" <qrp-l@Lehigh.EDU>
Subject: [87137] Re: Now that's a real challenge!
Message-ID: <002901c06df6\$3bb56560\$44231ad8@N7SG>
MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain;
charset="Windows-1252"
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

That's COOL! I love it! Now if I could convince myself to try it...hihi.

Have a very Merry Christmas Bruce...thanks for the note...

73 John K7FD

PS. Congrats to Bob for coming up with such a great idea!

> John,
>
> That activity was started by Bob White, W03B, now the QRP Columnist for
> the ARRL Web Page. He described the activity in a paper at FIDM, 1996.
> It's a real challenge!
>
> 73

Date: Sun, 24 Dec 2000 15:00:42 -0800
From: "Glenn Maclean" <glennmaclean@ix.netcom.com>

To: "Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion" <qrp-1@Lehigh.EDU>
Subject: [87138] Merry Christmas!
Message-ID: <002901c06dfd\$580bdda0\$0a01c6c0@oemcomputer>
MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain;
charset="iso-8859-1"
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

If you have food in the refrigerator, clothes on your back, a roof overhead
and a place to sleep....
You are richer than 75% of the people in this world.

If you have money in the bank, in your wallet, and spare change in a dish
some place....
You are among the top 8% of the worlds wealthy.

If you woke up this morning with more health than illness....
You are more blessed than the million who will not survive this week.

If you ever experienced the danger of battle, the loneliness of
imprisonment, the agony of torture, the pangs of starvation....
You are ahead of 500 million people in the world.

If you can attend a church meeting without fear of harassment, arrest,
torture, or death....
You are more blessed than three billion people in the world.

If your parents are still alive and still married....
You are very rare even in the United states

If you can hold your head up with a smile on your face and are truly
thankful....
You are blessed because the majority can but most do not.

If you can read this message, you just received a double blessing that
someone was thinking of you, and further more....
You are more blessed than over two billion people in the world who can not
read at all.

Have a good day, count your blessings, and pass this along to remind
everyone else how blessed we all are.

Wish you a Happy Holy Christmas!
Glenn WA7SPY

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